

APPROVED
BOARD OF STATE HISTORY RETREAT
AUGUST 6 & 7, 2004
COLLEGE OF EASTERN UTAH
PRICE, UTAH

ATTENDANCE:

Michael Homer, chair
Pam Miller, vice chair
Wally Wright
Kim Hyatt
Joel Janetski
Gary Anderson
Paul Anderson

EXCUSED:

Ron Coleman
Chere Romney
Kendall Brown
John Barton

Staff:

Phil Notarianni
Wilson Martin
Kevin Jones
Kent Powell
Linda Thatcher
Lynette Lloyd
Thom Roberts, Attorney General's Office

Michael Homer welcomed everyone to the meeting.

UTAH MUSEUM OF ART AND HISTORY

The Museum of Utah Art and History was the first item of discussion. In summary, Wilson Martin and Linda Thatcher will update the collection and lending policy and have Pam Miller and Paul Anderson review a draft version.

The Board agreed that a letter would be drafted to the museum director, Tom Rugh, expressing concerns about statements made by the museum. The letter will include the newly revised policy outlining the relationship between the division and museums along with a personal invitation to attend the November 14, 2004 Board meeting.

In the letter, the following items should be addressed:

1. Help us understand the statement "MUAH is the official museum for the collections of the Utah Arts council, the State Historical Society, and the State Archives."
2. What exactly does it mean to be an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution?
3. As a Smithsonian affiliate, how was the Utah State Historical Society represented?
4. Are the documents for applying as an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution available and could we obtain a copy?

5. Is MUAH's mission still consistent with by-laws written in 2003? Are the by-laws and articles of incorporation available? May we obtain a copy?
6. The division has a lending policy process.
7. A representative of the Division should be included on the MUAH Board.
8. How do your three boards, MUAH National advisory Council, MUAH Board of Trustees and Advisory Board operate? What are their roles?

The Board and Thom Roberts will review the letter.

AWARDS

The Board expressed concern about the awards process and categories. After some discussion, it was suggested to amend the award policy. The following concerns should be addressed:

- Discretionary awards would be announced at the Annual Meeting, but may be presented at a different time with a related organization.
 - What is the awards criteria?
 - When is the award given?
 - Who gives the award?
- Better definitions for award categories. For example a criteria that captures the meaning of an Antiquities or Preservation award.
- The word "contribution" was suggested instead of service award.
- Outstanding historic preservation grants should be given an award.
- A letter of commendation or a certificate of commendation should be included in the policy.
- If cash awards continue, should an endowment be established? Gary Anderson commented that if a name is on an award and the money is not provided, should it be renamed?
- Language for deadline on when the money should be received for an awards.
- Better definition of the three *Historical Quarterly* article choices.

Michael Homer appointed a subcommittee to edit the award policy and they will meet half an hour before the Board meeting:

Paul Anderson, chair

Gary Anderson

Kent Powell

Pam Miller

Phil Notarianni

Wilson Martin

RANGE CREEK UPDATE

Kevin Jones informed the Board that Governor Olene Walker would be touring Range Creek on August 10. Phil and Wilson will also be on the tour. DCED, the Division of Indian Affairs and our Division support the idea of governance of the area.

OUTREACH GRANTS INITIATIVE

The Board supports the grant proposal by the division. The proposal is asking for:

- ❖ A supplemental of \$1,000,000 one-time appropriation to be distributed as program, project and emergency grants.
- ❖ An on-going appropriation of \$250,000

The \$1,000,000 supplemental will be competitive and the ongoing \$250,000 will be partners.

MEMBERSHIP

Michael Homer strongly urged Board members to consider sending out letters to their constituents promoting membership in the Utah State Historical Society and inviting them to the Annual meeting. Board members can contact Kent Powell and he will help prepare a personalized letter.

PRESERVATION MAGAZINE

The Board supports the continuation of *Utah Preservation*. Wilson suggested that the publisher keep advertisement money, but the division would get 5000 free copies. The division would provide some content and editorial assistance. Celeste's contract is up in 2006, however, it can be voided at any time. The division wants to control editing. The Interagency Task Force is committed to this project and would possibly have additional money. The Utah Heritage Foundation is interested in partnering in this project.

STATEHOOD DAY

The following is the Board's suggestions for Statehood:

- ❖ Invite Governor elect to do an address or tie in with inauguration
- ❖ Invite KUED to run "The Struggle to Statehood."

OTHER EVENTS

There will be a grand re-opening sometime in February and will be coordinated by the Division of State History, Archives, Arts Council and the Office of Museum Services.